

2013 Needs Assessment for Hale County

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Accomplishments

1. Boys and Girls Club undergoing new addition to facility by Auburn Rural Studio.
2. Boys and Girls Club received Grant for \$20,000.00 for furnishing new addition.
3. HIPPY still has presence in County.
4. Project Horseshoe Farm operating after school tutoring program.
5. Youth Opportunity Program still operating in County.
6. Parents preventing Truancy program started through Juvenile Court.
7. WIC program continues.
8. Sawyerville Day Camp will expand to three weeks this year.
9. Juvenile Court continues to Drug Test probationers and order rehabilitation program.
10. County Extension Office began Bullying Forum at Board of Education.
11. Leadership Hale County added two children from each high school to the program.
12. County Extension Office hosted Hale County Rural Scholars for 10th and 11th grades.
13. County Extension Office conducted program for teams making an impact, for 9th graders.
14. Brandon Croom is actively involved in youth football and coaches same.
15. Judge Evans coached 7&8 baseball in the fall and spring.
16. County Extension Office hosted Farm Field Day at Moundville Elementary and had 6449 children participate.
17. Sheriff Ellis states Yellow DOT approved to be implemented.
18. Sheriff Ellis reports Project Lifesaver has been approved.

19. County Extension Office conducted Nutrition Education Program (NEP) - made contact with 158 children.

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First Priority

Need related to children of this county

Parenting programs to increase accountability.

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
West Alabama Mental Health Juvenile CConference Committee Home Visitation Program CAPS(Child Abuse Prevention Services) Juvenile Court Boys and Girls Club Project Horseshoe Farms Churches serving informally as mentors. County Extension Office Truancy Program Class School system/parent facilitator Parent Incentives for completing programs	ability to separate classes for children and parents within the West Alabama Mental Health Parenting Class.

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

1. Create separate class for children and parents within the Parenting Class.
2. Give incentives to parents that complete parenting program.
3. Continue to explore funding.
4. Getting program information/ availability to the parents.

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Second Priority

Need related to children of this county

Safe operation of four wheelers and all terrain vehicles.

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
Hale County Extension Office Hale County Sheriff Office Greensboro Police Department Moundville Police Department Hale County Board of Education Juvenile Probation Office	

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

1. Hale County Sheriff Office and the Hale County Extension Office to create partnership for this program.
2. Decide on location of Class(s).
3. Identify age groups.
4. Coordinate with school system.

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Third Priority

Need related to children of this county

Needs for Basic Reading Skills

Existing resources available to help meet this need include:	Resources needed but unavailable to meet this need include:
Public Libraries Hale County Extension Office Church programs that receive at-risk funding HIPPO Program After School Tutoring Boys and Girls Club Project Horseshoe Farm Wi Fi access in public places Kinders/Ipads Computer Technology	

Action steps that will result in progress toward meeting the identified need:

1. Continue Reading program with Boys and Girls Club, Project Horseshoe Farm and Church.
2. Continue to support literacy programs at libraries.
3. Continue to give incentives to students who meet AR Standards.
4. Continue to explore funding opportunities.
5. Continue nutrition program with ipads for third graders with Hale County Extension Office.